

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

**Public Utilities Commission**

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held September 22, 2005**

**Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Robert Holbrook, Commissioner Mary Bray, Steven Frias, Cindy Wilson-Frias, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley and Luly Massaro**

**Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. in the second-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission.**

**Minutes of Open Meetings:**

Chairman Germani moved to approve the Minutes of Open Meetings held on July 14, 2005, July 28, 2005 and August 11, 2005. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Holbrook and passed. **Vote 2-0.**

Chairman Germani moved to approve the Minutes of Open Meeting held on September 1, 2005. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray and passed. **Vote 2-0.**

**Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers:**

The following companies filed an application for authority to provide telecommunications service. The Division has reviewed the application and recommends approval of:

3695 – CommPartners, LLC

2262(D20) – Telmex USA, LLC

After review, Chairman Germani moved to approve applications. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the tariff revisions and does not recommend suspension of:

3059 – Broadview Networks, Inc. (tariffs filed 9/8/05)

2426 – TCG Rhode Island (tariffs filed 8/26 & 9/7/05)

2618 – AT&T Communications (tariffs filed 8/25, 8/26 & 9/1/05)

2486 – MCImetro Access Transmission Service, LLC (tariffs filed 9/2/05)

2621 – MCI WorldCom Communications (tariffs filed 9/2/05)

2535 – Cox Rhode Island Telcom LLC (tariffs filed 8/29, 8/30 & 9/1/05)

2472 - Sprint Communications (tariffs filed 8/26 & 9/1/05)

3028 – Qwest Communications (tariffs filed 8/30 & 9/9/05)

3647 – XO Communications Services, Inc. (tariffs filed 8/25/05)

2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariffs filed 9/7/05)

2262(P7) – MCI WorldCom Communications (tariffs filed 9/2/05)

2262(E2) – Teleconnect Long Distance Service (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2262(F16) - Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2262(Q2) – Affinity Network Inc. (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2262(P2) – NOSVA Limited Partnership (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2262(O2) – NOS Communications, Inc. (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2262(D5) – ITC DeltaCom Communications (tariffs filed 9/1/05)

2272(L10) – Paetec Communications, Inc. (tariffs filed 8/29 & 9/8/05)

After review, Chairman Germani moved to follow the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

The following company ceased operation and requested that its authority to operate be rescinded:

2262(H9) – Telephone Company of Central Florida, Inc.

After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Holbrook moved to rescind the authority of the company. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**3694 – Verizon Rhode Island:** Verizon submitted a tariff filing to exclude the offering of Verizon's Online 768 Kbps maximum speed service as a qualifier for the Verizon Bundle Discount found in the Verizon Regional Package Extra, Verizon Regional Package and Verizon Regional Package Unlimited for effect September 25, 2005. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

**3662 – Verizon Rhode Island:** Verizon submitted a revised TRRO tariff (RIPUC No. 18) filing in compliance with PUC Order No. 18310. After review, Chairman Germani asked for a motion and Commissioner Holbrook moved to accept Verizon's compliance filing. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**3363 – Verizon Rhode Island:** Verizon submitted the quarterly update to the Unbundled TC Reciprocal Compensation Charge calculated to reflect the average rate minute paid to CLECs by Verizon over the previous three-month period. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

**3659 – Regulations to Implement a Renewable Energy Standard (RES):** The Commission reviewed the RES Committee's recommendation to implement RES rules and the Committee's outstanding unresolved issues, and the Staff's recommendation. After review, Chairman Germani accepted the regulations incorporating the Staff recommendation. He moved that the Commission issue a notice of rulemaking and propose the regulations for public comment. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.** A hearing will be held on October 12, 2005 and the Commission will accept comment on the proposed regulations until October 24, 2005.

The open meeting adjourned at 2:18 P.M.